

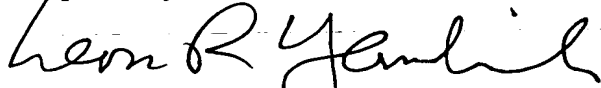
**REMARKS**

The above amendment to the Specification makes clear that this application is a United States national stage filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of international (PCT) application No. PCT/US03/19743, filed June 11, 2003, designating the United States and claiming priority to U.S. provisional application No. 60/387,819, filed June 11, 2002 (expired). Accordingly, the amendment brings the application into compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.78. The amendment also conforms the specification to the preferred formal arrangement of a U.S. application as set forth in MPEP §§ 201.11 and 601 by providing an express cross-reference to related applications. The amendment adds no new matter.

Entry of the above amendment to the Specification is respectfully requested.

No fee is believed to be required for entering the above amendment, however, the Commissioner is specifically authorized to charge any fees deemed to be necessary in connection with the filing of this paper or accompanying papers, or to charge other fees necessary to complete the U.S. national phase entry to Deposit Account 50-0268.

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